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REMARKS

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Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. Claims 1-5, 7-29, and 31-36 are pending.

35 U.S.C. §103 Claim Rejections

Claims 1-5, 7-29, and 31-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) for obviousness over U.S. Patent No. 5,583,560 to Florin et al. (hereinafter, "Florin"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,005,565 to Legall et al. (hereinafter, "Legall") (Office Action p.2). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

In the present Office Action, the Office recognizes that Florin does not disclose:

"displaying the primary display screen on a television through a web browser program", as recited in independent claims 1 and 33 (Office Action pp. 2 and 7, respectively);

"displaying the primary display screen through a web browser program", as recited in independent claims 20, 26, and 34-35 (Office Action pp. 4, 5, and 7 respectively);

"the primary display screen comprises a screen image displayed through an interactive display environment including World Wide Web content", as recited in independent claim 29 (Office Action p.6); and

"the primary display screen being displayed through a web browser program", as recited in independent claim 36 (Office Action p.8).

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Thus, the Office cites Legall for the recognized deficiencies of Florin. Legall does not teach or suggest that a television channel is displayed on a television through a web browser program. For example, claim 1 recites a primary display screen that is displayed on a television through a web browser program.

Legall simply describes a multimedia computer system (100) that includes a computer display (120) (Fig. 1) on which a television program may be displayed in an audio/video area (205) of the display (col. 2, lines 9-10, 40-42). A separate area (210) may display a Web browser application through which a list of Web sites and/or an electronic program guide is displayed (col. 2, lines 42-48). Legall actually teaches away from the present application in that Legall only describes a computer display (120) and displaying Internet information (e.g., HTML frames and/or Web sites) through a Web browser application. Legall does not disclose or even suggest "displaying the primary display screen on a television through a web browser program", as recited in claim 1.

Applicant respectfully disagrees that it would have been obvious to modify Florin with Legall to display a television program via a Web browser as the Office contends (Office Action p.2). The Office recognizes that Florin does not disclose displaying a television program via a Web browser and Legall clearly distinguishes between an audio/visual area (205) of a display and a Web browser area (210) of a display. Thus, there is no basis to combine Florin and Legall and conclude that it would be obvious to display "the primary display screen on a television through a web browser program", as recited in claim 1.

Florin and/or Legall do not teach or suggest that a television channel is displayed on a television through a Web browser program, as recited in claim 1.

Accordingly, claim 1 is allowable over the Florin-Legall combination and Applicant respectfully requests that the §103 rejection be withdrawn.

In addition to claim 1, independent claims 20, 26, 29, 33, 34, 35, and 36 are also allowable over the Florin-Legall combination for the reasons described above in response to the rejection of claim 1. Furthermore, the Florin-Legall combination does not teach or suggest the combination of elements recited in independent claims 1, 20, 26, 29, and 33-36. Accordingly, the §103 rejection should be withdrawn.

Claims 2-5 and 7-19 are allowable by virtue of their dependency upon claim 1 (either directly or indirectly).

Claims 21-25 are allowable by virtue of their dependency upon claim 20 (either directly or indirectly).

Claims 27-28 are allowable by virtue of their dependency upon claim 26.

Claims 31-32 are allowable by virtue of their dependency upon claim 29.

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Conclusion

Dated:

Pending claims 1-5, 7-29, and 31-36 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the subject application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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